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NLM APPOINTS TWO NEW TOP STAFF MEMBERS

Two senior personnel appointments at the National Library of Medicine have been announced by Dr. Martin M. Cummings, Director, NLM.
--Dr. Marjorie P. Wilson, of the National Institutes of Health, was named Associate Director of NLM for Extramural Programs;
--Miss Mary E. Corning, of the National Science Foundation, was named Head, Publications and Translation Division, succeeding Mr. Daniel Bailey, who was named Assistant to the Director, NLM.

"These appointments," Dr. Cummings explained, "are in keeping with realignments NLM is making to develop more technical and scientific strength to meet its responsibilities and services. The expanding and more complex nature of biomedical communications has required that we speed and improve the mechanisms for the management and uses of the biomedical literature and enlarge NLM's role in the national complex of information processing."

In her new position, Dr. Wilson will be responsible for all of NLM's extramural programs, including the support of medical library facilities, resources, training, fellowships, and the support of scientific publications.

Miss Corning will be in charge of the Library's program of support to biomedical publications in this country and abroad, including translations and other foreign publishing activities through the use of P.L. 480 funds.

Dr. Wilson formerly was Assistant to the Associate Director for Training in the Office of the Director, NIH. She went to that position in July 1963 after two years as Chief, Training Branch, National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases. Previously she served with the Veterans Administration as Chief of the Residency and Internship Division, Chief of the Professional Training Division, and finally as Assistant Director of the Education Service.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1924, Dr. Wilson attended Bryn Mawr and received her M.D. from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in 1949. After interning at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Hospital, she was a resident in Pittsburgh and Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida in 1951. In 1952 she entered the VA.

Dr. Wilson is a member of the Association of American Medical Colleges, American Federation for Clinical Research, Association of Hospital Directors of Medical Education, American Medical Women's Association, Medical Women's International Association, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Formerly Marjorie Price, she was married in 1951 to Lynn M. Wilson. They have one child.

Miss Corning was born in Norwich, Connecticut, in 1925, and received her B.A. from the Connecticut College for Women in 1947, and an M.A. in physical chemistry from Mount Holyoke College in 1949. From 1949 until 1958 she was a physical chemist and technical assistant to the Associate Director for Chemistry of the National Bureau of Standards. From 1958 until 1960 she was a Special Assistant to the Science Advisor of the State Department, and in 1960, she joined the National Science Foundation where, most recently, she has been Associate Program Director, Cooperative International Science Activities.

From 1950 until 1960 she was assistant editor of the Journal of the Optical Society of America, and was editor-in-chief of the 40-volume Analytical Subject Index for the Journal. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a Fellow of the Optical Society of America, member of the American Chemical Society, and the U.S. National Committee for the International Commission for Optics. As U.S. National Liaison Officer for the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, she prepared a study on The Organization of Scientific Research in the U.S., the first single document covering all aspects of U.S. scientific organization.

TWO NLM STAFF MEMBERS PROMOTED

Promotions have been announced for two NLM staff members. Mr. Seymour Taine, Chief, Bibliographic Services Division, also has been named Acting Associate Director for Intramural Programs, a new position at NLM. Mr. Daniel Bailey, Head, Publications and Translation Division, has been named Assistant to the Director.

In his new capacity, Mr. Taine will be responsible for program and policy evaluation and development for all of the Library's intramural activities. Included are the Bibliographic Services Division, the History of Medicine Division, the Reference Services Division, and the Technical Services Division.

Mr. Bailey's primary responsibilities will be in the area of NLM program development and legislative liaison.

Mr. Taine was born in New York City and received his B.A. in chemistry from New York University in 1941. He studied at the New York University College of Dentistry and received his degree in library science at Columbia University.

After three years with the Army in World War II, Mr. Taine served as Librarian at the University of California Biology Library in Berkeley. In 1949 he joined the staff of NLM where he has been editor-in-chief of the Current List of Medical Literature, Bibliography of Medical Reviews, and, since 1959, of Index Medicus. Since 1961 he has been the Chief of BSD and project officer of MEDLARS, the Library's computer-based Medical Literature Analysis and Retrieval System.

In 1962 he received the first Ida and George Eliot Award for the NLM Index Mechanization Project Report.

Mr. Bailey studied at Marist College, Atlanta, Georgia, until World War II when he entered the Marine Corps for four years. After the war he became publisher and editor of the North DeKalb Record, Brookhaven, Georgia, and entered the diplomatic service in the Korean War to become Embassy Press Officer in New Delhi, India for two years. From 1954 until 1958 he served in the office of the Secretary of the Army, preparing military reports for the White House, and in 1958 he went to the National Institutes of Health as Information Officer for the Division (now Institute) of General Medical Sciences. He came to NLM in 1962.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TOURING VISITORS

The National Library of Medicine has established the following system to provide tours of its facilities for visitors:

One tour daily, Monday through Friday, is conducted for the general public at 3 p.m. Prior arrangements normally are not necessary for tours at this time unless organized groups of more than ten persons wish to take this tour, in which case advanced notice to NLM is necessary in accordance with the procedures prescribed below for professional groups.

Tours for organized professional groups (librarians, physicians, scientists, PHS Advisory Councils and Study Sections, etc.) and for individual members of such groups with specialized interests in the Library's activities, must be arranged with the NLM Tour Guide Coordinator at least two days in advance.

The Tour Guide Coordinator, who functions under the office of the Assistant to the Director, NLM, is located in the lobby on the first floor of the Library. She can be reached via telephone at 496-2002 (or government code 14, 62002). Mail inquiries should be addressed to Tour Guide Coordinator, Office of the Assistant to the Director, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

Persons or organizations requesting tours should be prepared to provide the Tour Guide Coordinator with complete information regarding the persons or groups to be toured, including number of persons, name of group leader, special interests, and special language requirements.

PHS COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT AUTHORITIES CLARIFIED

Questions which have developed over the past two years on Public Health Service use of grants to support communication activities seem to have been answered by a ruling of March 4, 1964, by the Comptroller General, Joseph Campbell, of the U.S.

The ruling says in effect that the PHS Act does permit the use of grants to support various communication activities in relation to matters of health. In part the ruling states that the Comptroller General will raise no legal objections" . . . if the Surgeon General determines under the authority of . . . the Public Health Service Act . . . that support by way of grants-in-aid is an appropriate or necessary means . . . to more effectively communicate medical research information . . ."

NLM NEWS ADOPTS NEW SIZE

To provide a more readable publication and more flexibility in presenting news items, the NLM NEWS, with this month's issue, is changing its size from approximately 5½ inches by 9 inches to approximately 8 inches by 10½ inches. Apologies are extended to those recipients who bind the NEWS, since the January and February 1964 issues are of the smaller size.

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